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MAYOR GETS A STAND-OFF

One of His Vetoes Is Sustained, but the Council Overrides the Other.

Franklin Avenue Improvement Is Divided Upon Notwithstanding Vigorous Opposition.

Mayor Suprenant made a stand-off ast night, which is a slight improvement on what he has formerly done in held him in his veto of the fire escape ordinance, and turned him down on his enteenth. veto of the ordinance authorizing the committee on public property to advertise for bids for the present city hall and site. The councilmen's pride has been touched on the city hall proposal, and they intend to provide for a new structure at all hazards.

Mr. Hansen, author of the ordinance, was the only member to vote against The mayor said he thought it deficient in several respects, but Mr. Hansen insisted that amendments could be made at the next meeting; that there was at present no ordinance on the statute wanted to head off this action. When Twelfth and Grand avenue. A resoluthe roll was called he alone voted for tion was adopted declaring the intenthe bill as it stood.

hall proposal. The veto had been published in full and the councilmen had considered it. The mayor asked that the roll be called and every member excepting Mr. Robinson answered "aye as his name was called. So the veto

The Franklin Avenue Muddle.

The council last night passed the ordinance providing for the improvement Thirteenth street was filed. Mr. Cherry of Franklin avenue from Thirty-sixth to Forty-third street. When Mr. Hansupport the measure if he was assured the street committee recommended that ceed \$1500 of the cost of the work, but the expense. The same committee recotherwise would oppose it.

for any improvements for property adopted. owners and believed the improvement should not be undertaken unless the it had no authority to grant the perproperty would stand the cost. He mission asked by T. S. Simpson to provision for a new city hall, and that to spend funds on the east end street could not bear. He wanted to know if members of the council intended to create another such condition as existed a few years ago, when city warrants were down to 75, and said reckless expenditures would certainly bring about this condition of affairs.

Messrs. Belland and Nordstrom replied, the former saying that, if Mr. Lebeck was as near correct this week as he was at the last meeting statement could not be accepted as reliable. When the roll was called there were two dissenting councilmen-Mr Hansen and Mr. Lebeck. Under the ordinance bids will be invited for the work and the contract awarded if the

council sees fit to take such action.

To Investigate Mr. Cordes. brought to the attention of the council last night. The charges were signed by the members of the committee on fire and water who seemed unusually anxious that the investigation be conducted by that committee, and not by a special committee, as some of the members desired. Mr. Burns was of the opinion that the committee preferring the charges could not give Mr.Cor des an impartial trial and said he were so anxious to try the accused driver. The matter was referred to the committee, Mr. Burns voting teemen are Messrs. Leinenweber, Morton and Belland.

Streets to Be Improved.

The street committee presented the following list of streets which are to be improved during the coming summer, the necessary legislation being enacted immediately:

Duane from Thirty-sixth to Thirty-

Duane from Forty-third to Forty-

Forty-fourth from Duane to Com-

Commercial from Forty-fourth to Forty-fifth from Commercial to Bond Thirty-seventh from Dunne to Com-

nercial. Thirty-sixth from Duane to Franklin

Third from Front to Duane. Fourth from Bond to Commercial. Ninth from Bond to Jerome.

Exchange from Seventh to Ninth. Grand avenue from Ninth to Elev-

Duane from Thirteenth to Sixteenth. Franklin avenue from Thirteenth to Seventeenth

Fourteenth from Commercial to Je

Exchange from Seventeenth to Twen ty-third Twenty-sixth from Exchange

Franklin avenue from Twenty-sixth

to Thirty-first. Commercial from Fourteenth to Sev-

Franklin avenue from the west line of Adair's Astoria to Thirty-sixth. Grand avenue from Thirteenth to Seventeenth.

An ordinance authorizing the purchase of the necessary property to effect a connection between the two present ends of Duane street at Thirteenth was passed. The city will purchase the corners of two lots and the conection wil be made by a piece of street running in a northeasterly direction from Thirteenth.

A resolution directing an assessment to defray the cost of improving Thirbooks regulating building, and that the teenth street from Duane to Exchange city had been first to violate the terms (\$1296.75) was adopted, as was a resoof the measure formerly enacted. He lution declaring the intention of the said a property owner contemplated council to construct a sewer on Frankplacing shingles on the roofs of several lin avenue from the Shively claim line buildings occupied by Chinese and he to a connection with the sewer at tion of the council to improve Fifteenth There was no discussion of the city street from Exchange to Irving av-

Minor Matters.

The request of the school oard fo gine house in the name of the city was referred to the committee on public

The proposal of P. L. Cherry for sale # of certain property near Duane and

represents the owner, Estehr E.Rogers. Reporting on the communication of sen's name was called he said he would the Van Dusen Investment Company, he city would have to bear not to ex- the road be built if the property bear omended to similar petitioners living 2 Councilman Lebeck addressed the at John Day that they consult with council at length on the matter. He the road supervisor and county court. said he was opposed to the city paying The reports of the committee were

The street committee reported that said the council was trying to make erect billboards on Commercial street The report of the public property # committee on the dumping ground # would add a burden which the council proposal was adopted. The committee recommended deferring action until

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